AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. – 29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) A method for positioning a printed circuit board support at an assembly station, comprising:

providing at least a pair of parallel outer rails and a mid-element between said pair of outer rails, and at least one component for biasing each one of said outer rails outwardly from said mid-element, said outer rails being movable toward each other by a compression force applied against said outer rails to fit said outer rails between surfaces on a positioning device; and

placing said outer rails in abutting engagement with said surfaces on said positioning device by releasing said outer rails when said outer rails are between said surfaces.

31. (Cancelled)

32. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein said providing at least one component for biasing comprises providing at least one spring.

33. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein said providing at least a pair of parallel outer rails comprises providing a pair of rails on each side of said mid-element. wherein said support is positioned on a metal plate and is held thereon by at least one magnet.

34. (New) The method of claim 30 wherein said support is positioned on a metal plate and is held thereon by at least one magnet.

35. (New) The method of claim 30, further comprising providing at least one first rod fixed at one end thereof to one of said at least a pair of

outer rails, and at least one second rod fixed at one end thereof to another of said outer rails.

36. (New) A method of positioning a printed circuit board at an assembly station, comprising:

providing a support having a pair of parallel outer rails, a mid-element between and spaced from said pair of outer rails, and a pair of parallel rails between and spaced from said pair of outer rails; and

providing a plurality of components for biasing each one of said outer rails outwardly from said mid-element, said outer rails being movable toward each other against the bias of said plurality of biasing components by compression forces applied against said outer rails to fit said outer surfaces between and in abutting engagement with a pair of spaced surfaces on a positioning device.

37. (New) The method of claim 36 wherein a first plurality of rods each fixed at one end thereof to a first one of said outer rails, and a second plurality of rods each fixed at one end thereof to a second one of said outer rails.

38. (New) The method of claim 36 wherein said support is positioned on a metal plate and is held thereon by at least one magnet.

39. (New) The method of claim 36 wherein said providing a plurality of components for biasing comprises providing a plurality of springs.